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California, and was in daily contact with SAM GARFIELD and IRVING PASTERNAK of the Crude Oil Producing Corporation in Denver.

Captain SANDERS stated that on 6/26/53 CLARK left Denver en route to Chicago, Illinois, and Miami, Florida.

On 7/16/53 DN-119-C reported that CLARK had returned to Denver from Miami and as of that time was registered at the Mayflower Hotel in Denver, Colorado. This Informant stated that he had been in conversation with CLARK, who talked volubly of his oil drilling operations in the vicinity of Newcastle, Wyoming, but made no statement reflecting that he was in Denver for the purpose of engaging in any type of illegal activities.

VICTOR EMANUEL PEREIRA, was.
FBI #2157349

and
EUGENE HALE BRADING, was.
USM El Paso, Texas #28400

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PEREIRA and BRADING have been described in previous reports as confidencemen who specialize in defrauding wealthy women out of large sums of money. It has been previously reported that BRADING and PEREIRA in January, 1952, received sentences of twelve years in U. S. District Court at El Paso, Texas, on charges of mail fraud, conspiracy and ITSP in connection with the swindle of Mrs. GERTRUDE J. JOYCE of Roswell, New Mexico, out of approximately \$48,000.

This sentence has been upheld by the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, New Orleans, Louisiana, and BRADING and PEREIRA are presently at liberty under bond awaiting appeal of this case to the U. S. Supreme Court.

During the period of this survey, PEREIRA and BRADING have made several trips to the Denver area in connection with the operation of an oil firm known as the Richland Oil Company, 1950 California Street, Denver, Colorado. As has previously been reported, PEREIRA is now married to the former Mrs. LEE LITTLE, the widow of the President of the Magnolia Oil Company, Dallas, Texas. Mrs. LITTLE has been reported by the Dallas Office and by DN-119-C and DN-123-C to be worth several million dollars. These Informants have

also reported that BRADING is a frequent companion of Mrs. LITTLE's sister, Mrs. FRANKIE HARWELL, of Dallas, Texas.

Information has been received from the Miami Office reflecting that PEREIRA, his wife, BRADING, and Mrs. HARWELL spent the 1953 Winter season in a leased residence on Sunset Island off Miami Beach, Florida. Miami has reported that PEREIRA and BRADING gave up this residence 6/1/53. Since that time PEREIRA has spent several weeks in the Denver area, during which period he closely associated with ARTHUR LEWIS CLARK, according to information received from DN-119-C and DN-123-C.

Information was received from the Los Angeles Office in July, 1953, that PEREIRA and his wife have leased a residence in Beverly Hills, California, and are presently residing there. It was further reported that Mrs. FRANKIE HARWELL also has an apartment in Beverly Hills, California, but that BRADING has not been observed in Beverly Hills.

As of June, 1953, BRADING was reported by DN-119-C to have undergone an operation in Baltimore, Maryland, after which he expected to spend some time in New York City.

~~JOSEPH GERROLD~~ GALANTIERE, wa.
Jerry Galantiere
Denver PD #29567 B20

GALANTIERE, mentioned in previous reports, continues to operate Jerry's News-stand, 1657 Welton Street, Denver.

During the period of this survey, information has been received from DN-110-C reflecting that GALANTIERE continues to make book on sporting events at Jerry's News-stand on a "sneak basis." Informant stated that GALANTIERE is a close associate of TINO J. SOTO and that SOTO is working closely with GALANTIERE in bookmaking activities. This Informant has reported that he has no information reflecting that GALANTIERE and SOTO are laying off bets with any out-of-town bookmakers, but that in June, 1953, it was rumored in gambling circles that GALANTIERE might be laying off a few bets with the SMALDONES.

Captain WILLIAM F. SANDERS, Denver Police Department, stated that Officers assigned to the Intelligence Bureau of that Department are keeping GALANTIERE under close observation and efforts are being made to secure evidence to support bookmaking charges against him.